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Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application.

Commissioner of Patents.

- 1. The reply brief filed 6-9-97 has been entered and considered but no further response by the Examiner is deemed necessary. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.
- 2. The request for leave to file an amended brief under 37 CFR  $1_{\bullet}192$  (d) is not proper and is not persuasive since the brief complied with 37 CFR 1.192 (c) by including all the required items. Regarding grouping of claims, the answer states that the examiner agrees with the groupings stated in the brief.
- 3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Edwin Holloway whose telephone number is (703) 305-4818.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-4900.

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